THE GAMER

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<QUEST!>

THE GAME
WILL NOW BEGIN.

GAME...?

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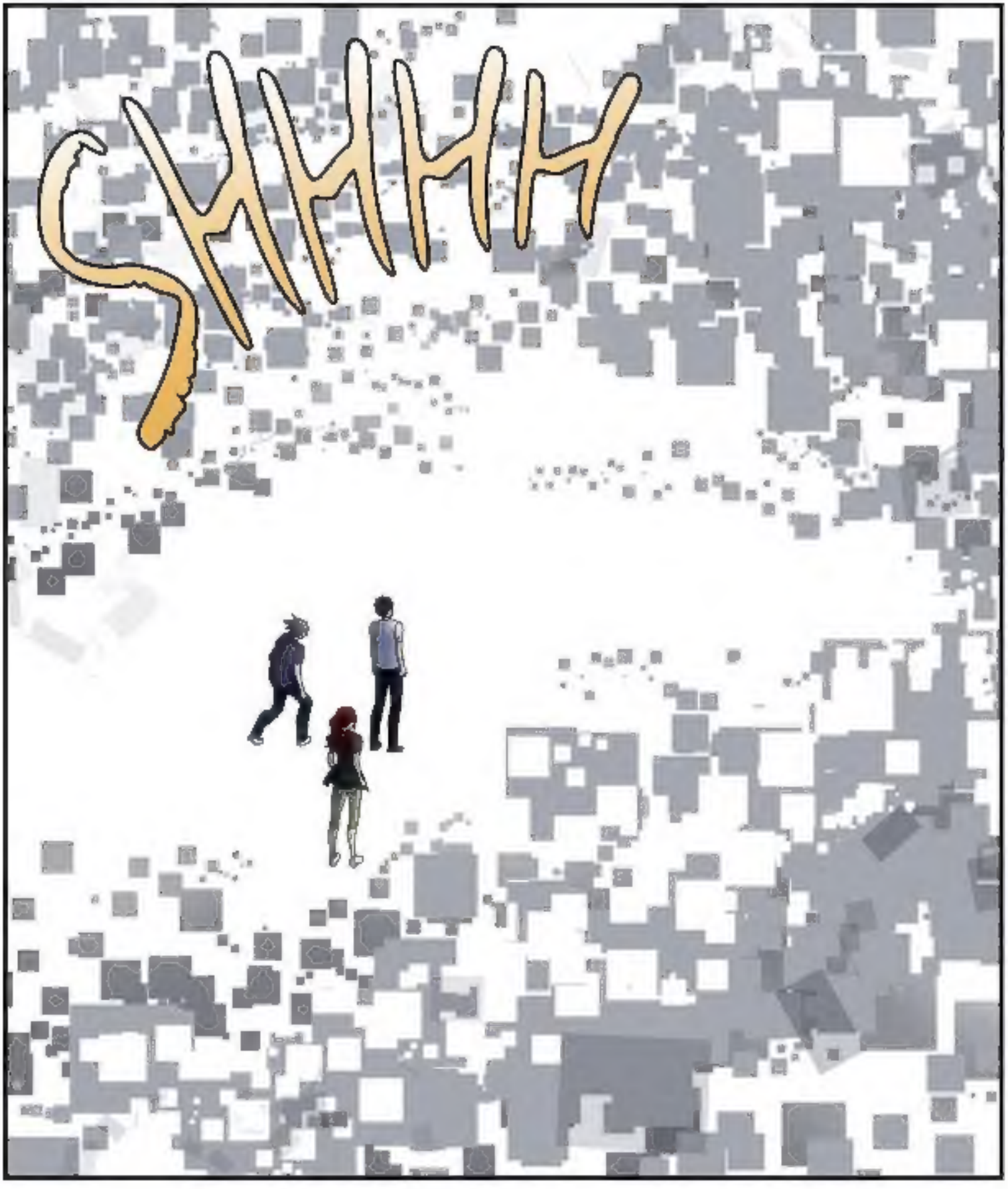
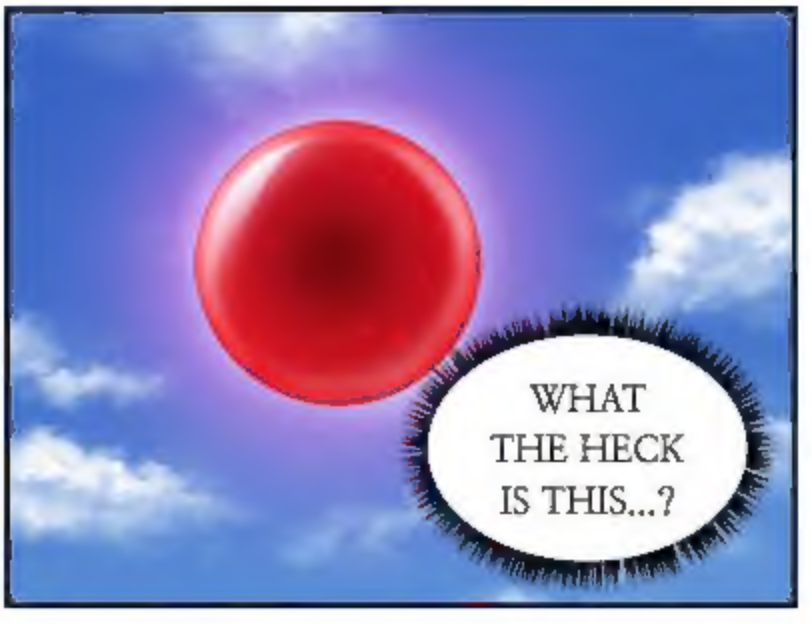

SHHHH

FLASH


WHAT THE HECK IS THIS...?

THAT PLACE BEFORE WAS LIKE A SACRED SPACE.
WHAT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE WORLD IS DIVIDED INTO THREE DIMENSIONS?
AH, NO.

HM.... YOU STILL NEED TO LEARN SOME MORE COMMON KNOWLEDGE.
I'LL WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER....
WHAT ARE THE THREE DIMENSIONS?

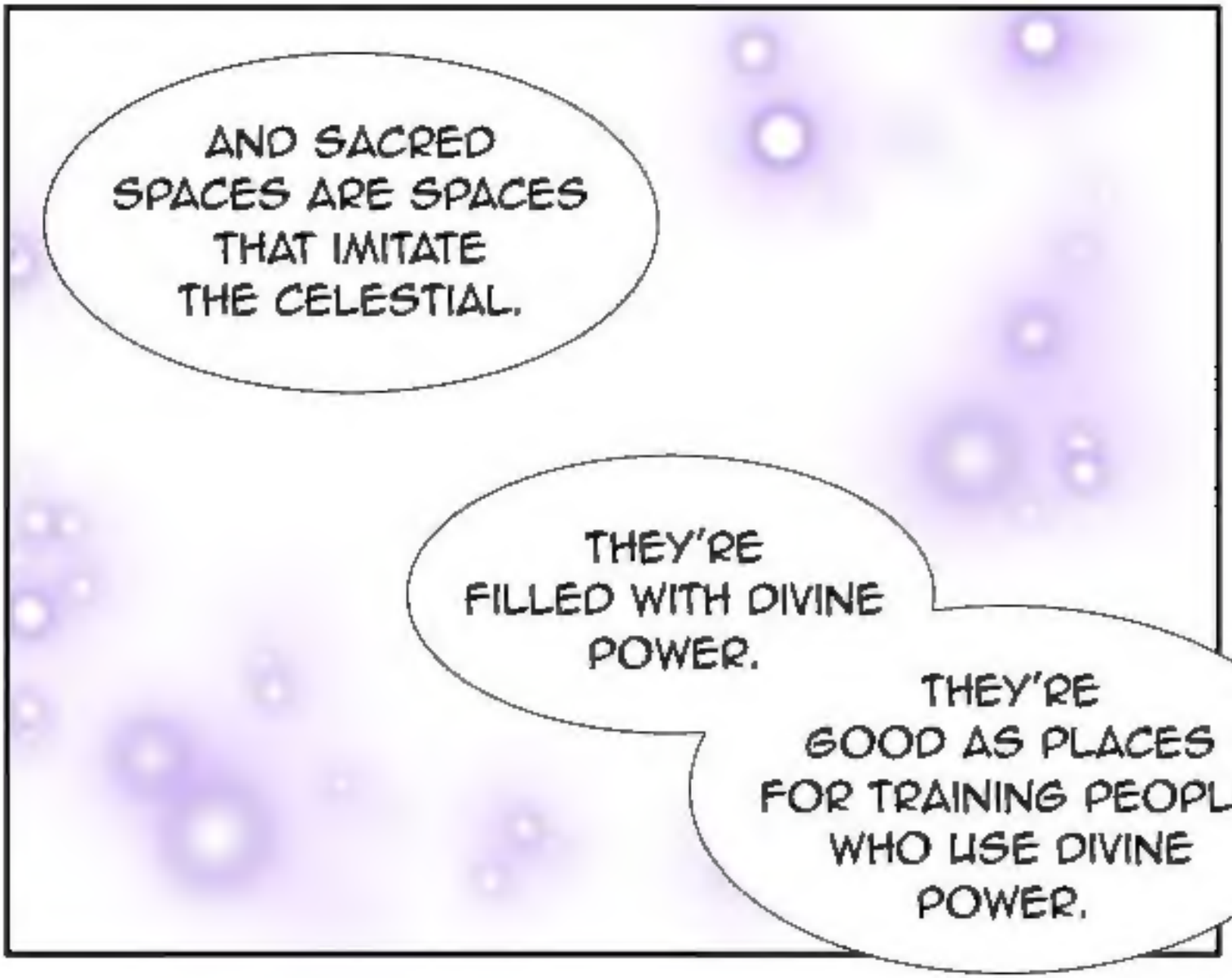
THE CELESTIAL, THE EARTHLY, AND THE NETHER.

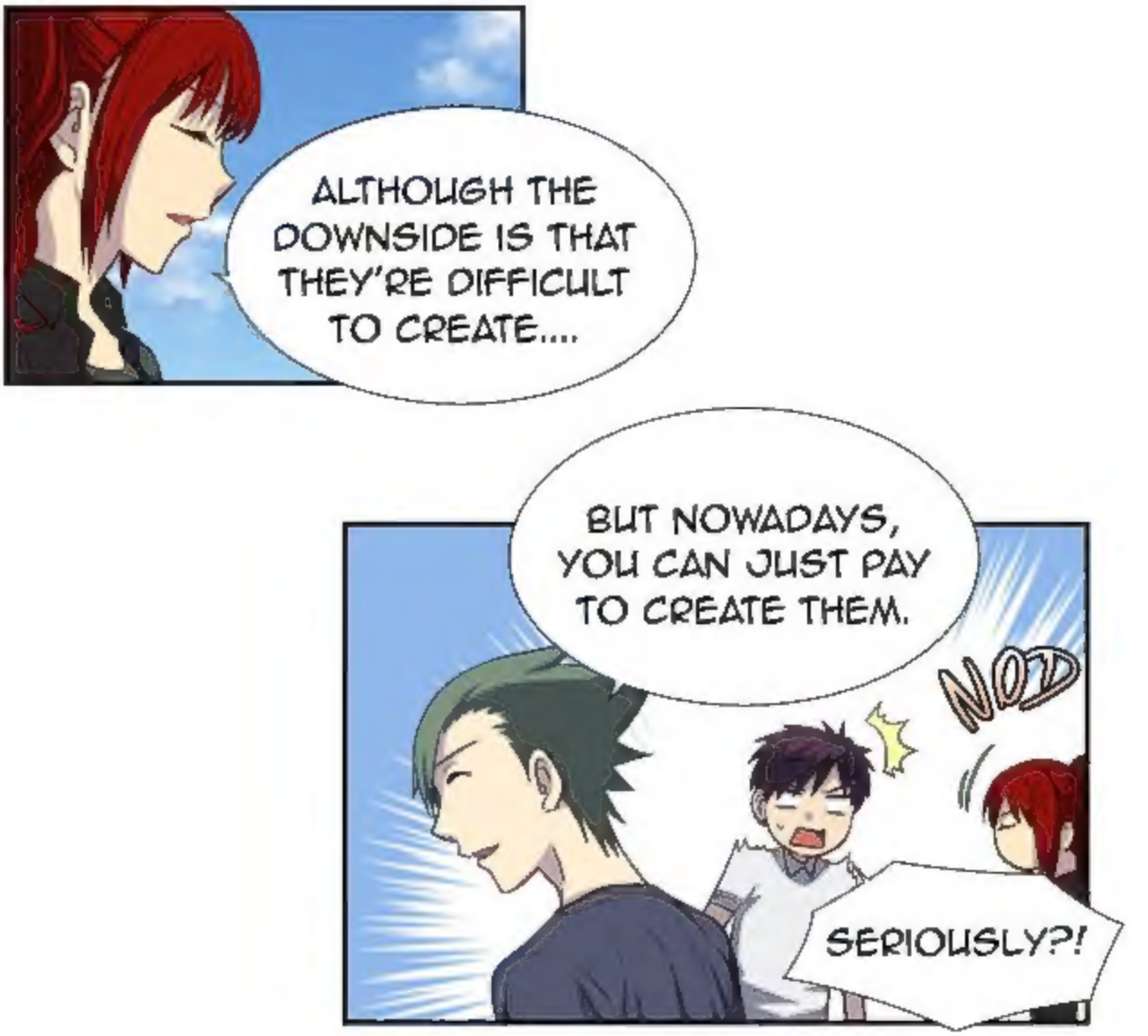
THE CELESTIAL IS HEAVEN. THE EARTHLY IS THIS WORLD. AND THE NETHER IS THE PLACE CALLED THE DEMON WORLD OR HELL.

BUT... IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE AFTERWORLD THAT PEOPLE USUALLY THINK OF.

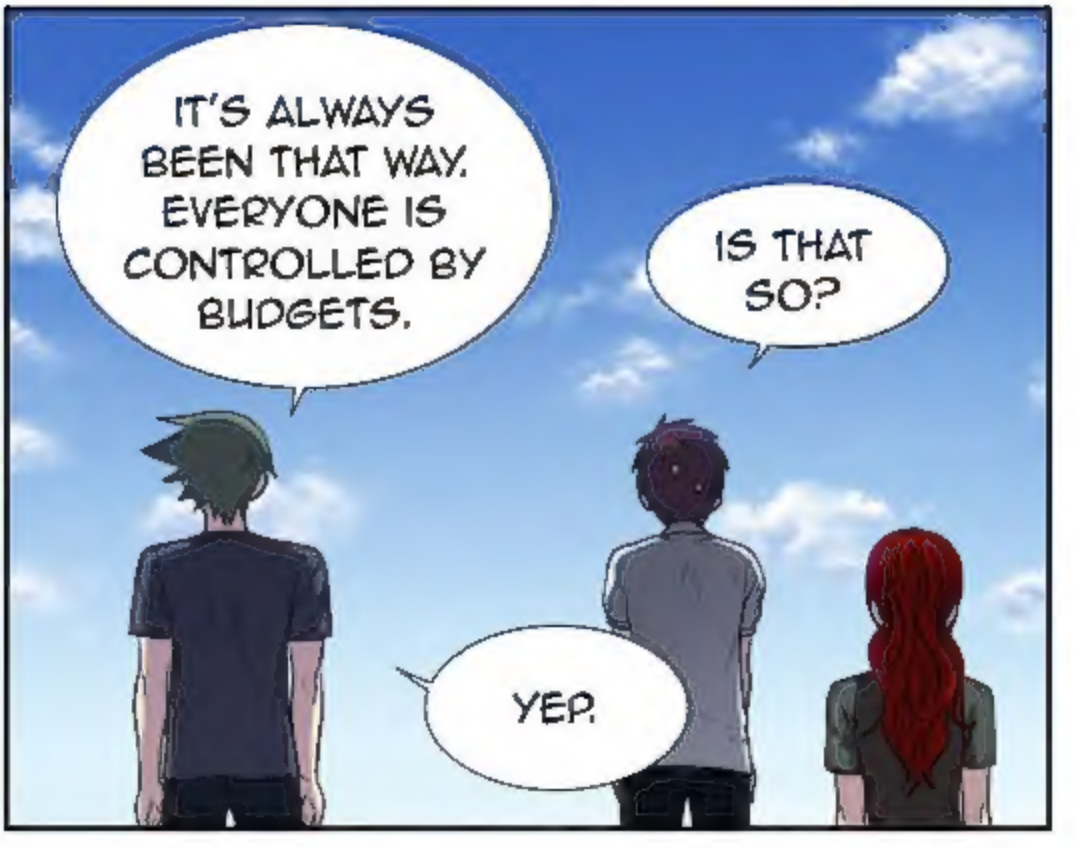
SINCE NOT ALL GOOD OR BAD PEOPLE GO TO THE CELESTIAL OR NETHER DIMENSION WHEN THEY DIE.

OH, YEAH?


AND SACRED SPACES ARE SPACES THAT IMITATE THE CELESTIAL.
THEY'RE FILLED WITH DIVINE POWER.
THEY'RE GOOD AS PLACES FOR TRAINING PEOPLE WHO USE DIVINE POWER.

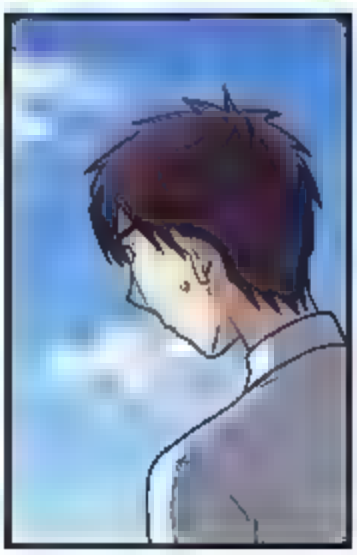

ALTHOUGH THE DOWNSIDE IS THAT THEY'RE DIFFICULT TO CREATE....
BUT NOWADAYS, YOU CAN JUST PAY TO CREATE THEM.
NOD
SERIOUSLY?!

AH, I SEE. SO MONEY RULES ALL.
YOU CAN EVEN CREATE A DIVINE SPACE AS LONG AS YOU HAVE MONEY?

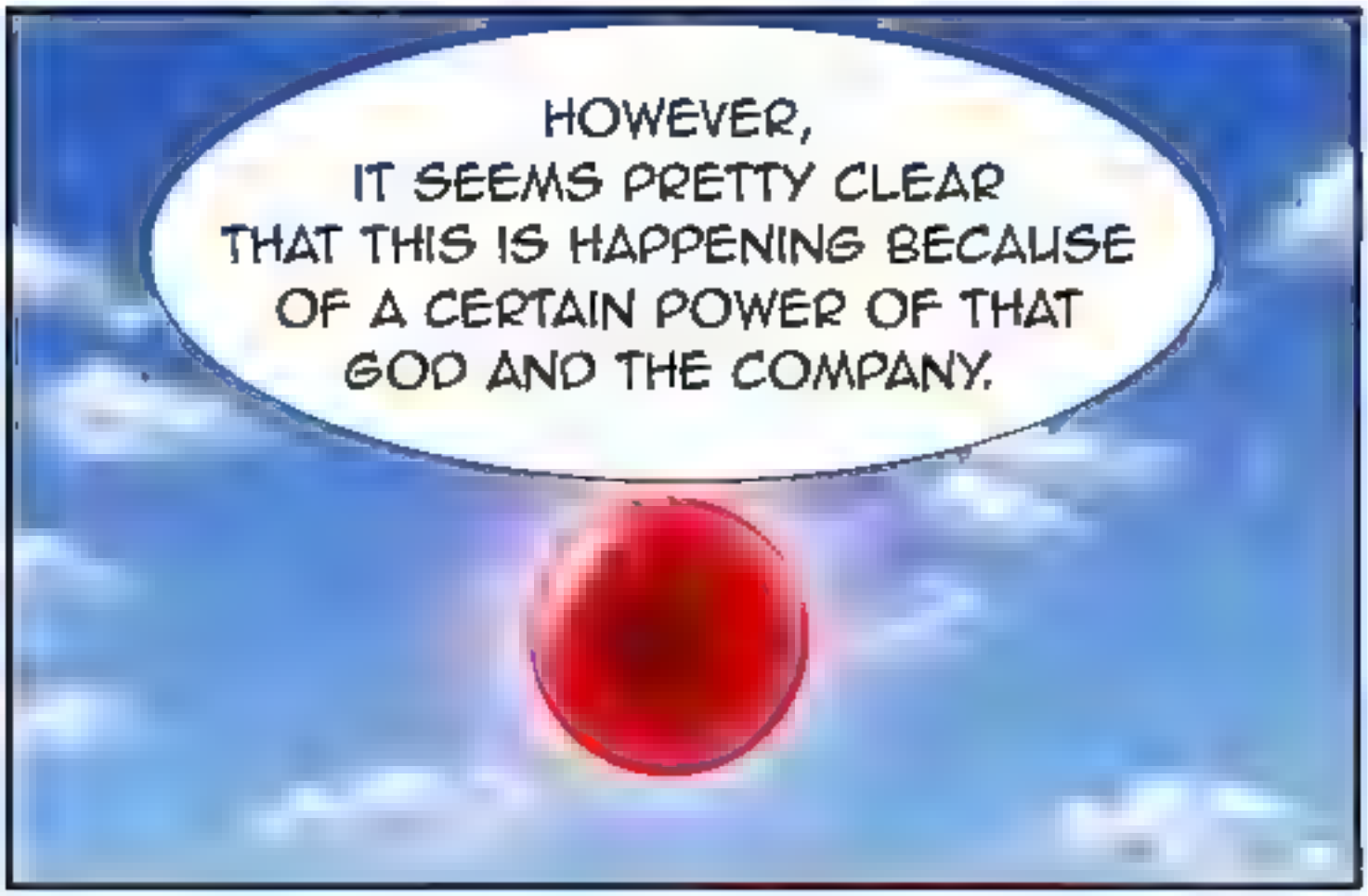

IT'S ALWAYS BEEN THAT WAY. EVERYONE IS CONTROLLED BY BUDGETS.
IS THAT SO?
YEP.

BY THE WAY, IF THAT PLACE BEFORE WAS LIKE A SACRED SPACE....

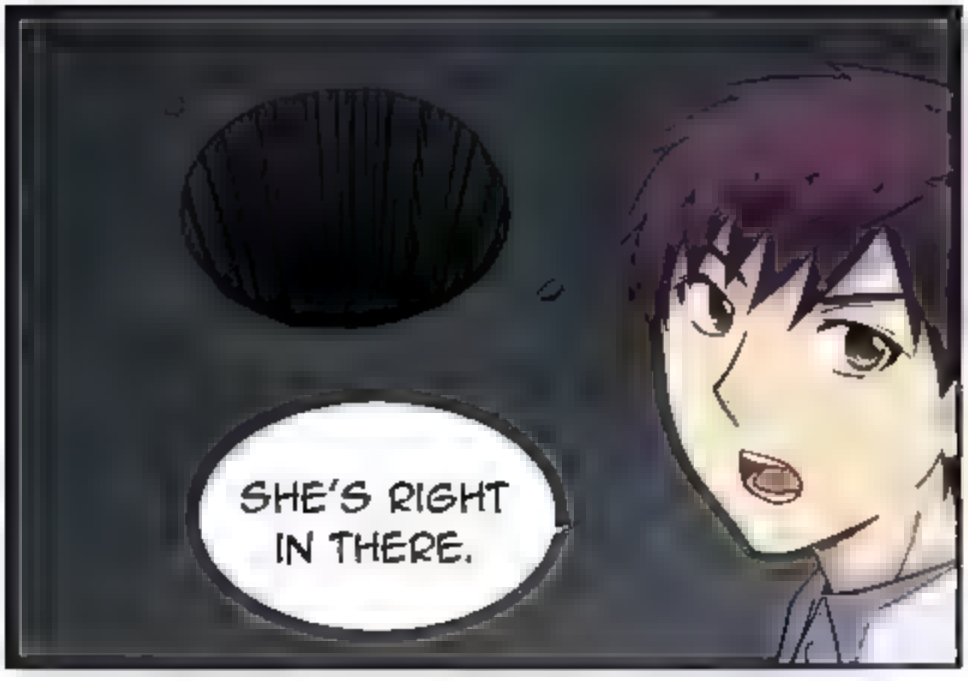
THEN WE CAN GUESS THAT A GOD HAS BEEN BORN.



I THOUGHT YOU SAID THAT NO ONE KNOWS WHAT KIND OF GOD WILL BE BORN.
THAT'S RIGHT....


HOWEVER,
IT SEEMS PRETTY CLEAR
THAT THIS IS HAPPENING BECAUSE
OF A CERTAIN POWER OF THAT
GOD AND THE COMPANY.

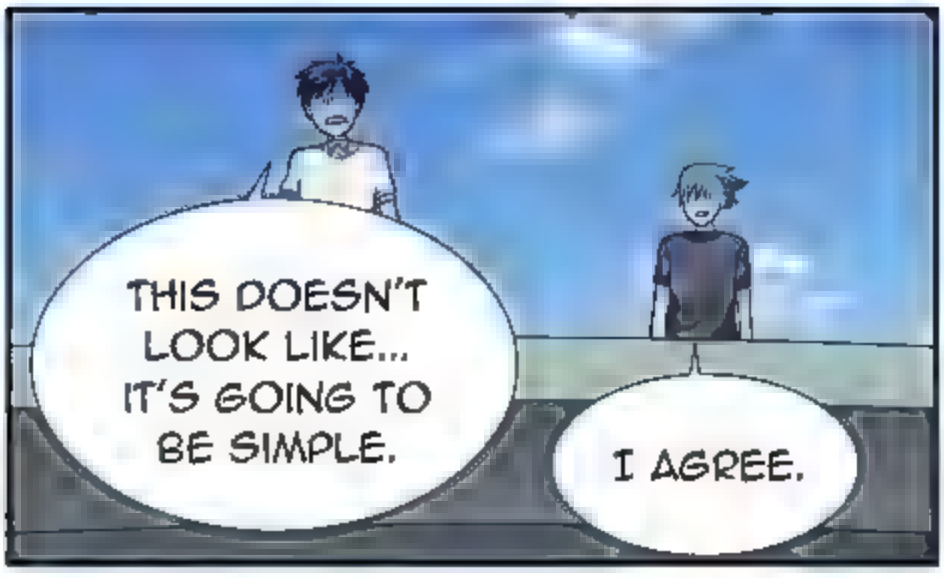
ANYWAY,
WHAT ABOUT
PREZ?


SHE'S RIGHT IN THERE.

FLASH
!
FLASH

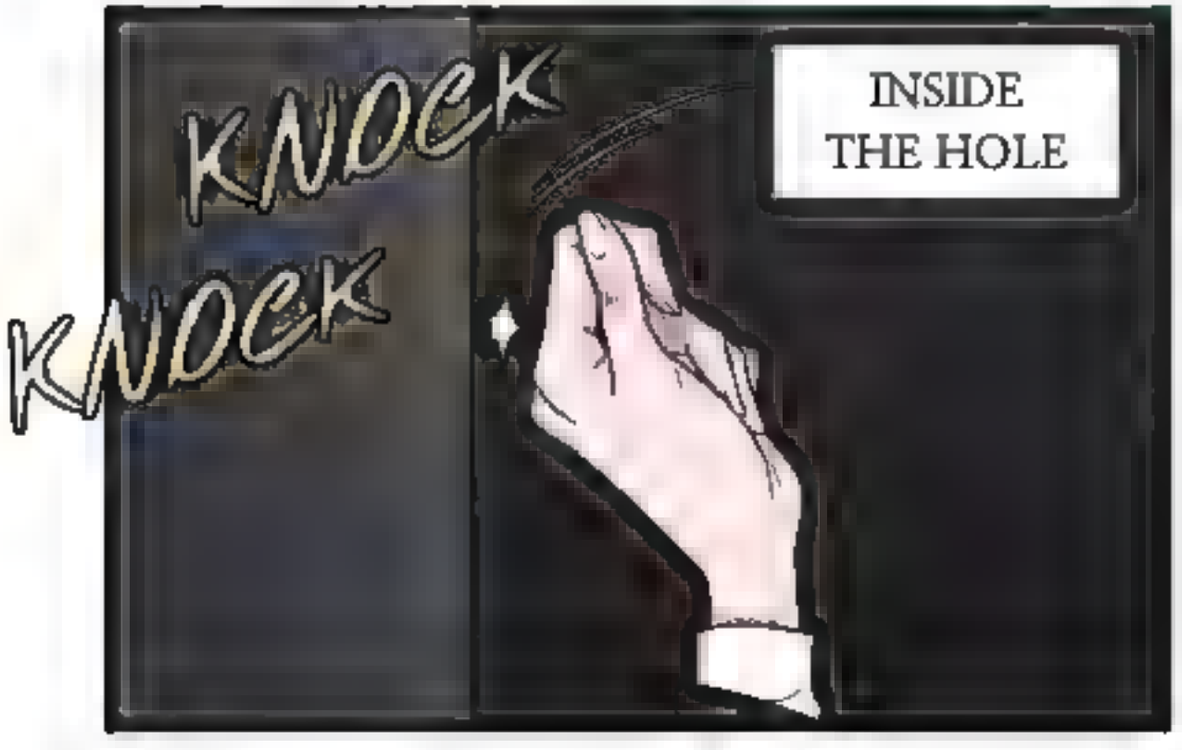
GRRRR

WHISH
TAT
CRASH


THIS DOESN'T LOOK LIKE... IT'S GOING TO BE SIMPLE.
I AGREE.

CRAP, WHERE THE HECK DID MR.HWAN GO?

THE GAMER

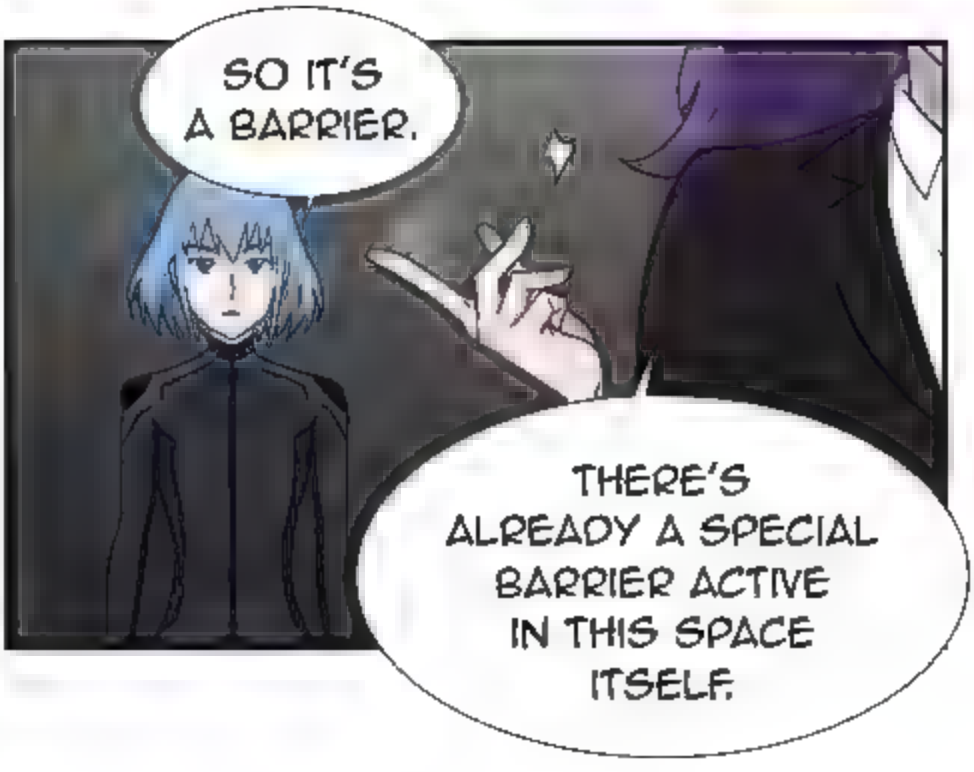


IT'S FIRM....

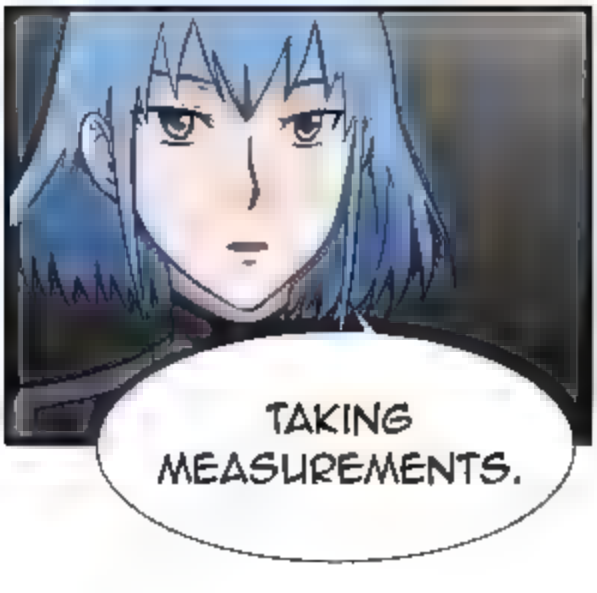
IS THAT SO?

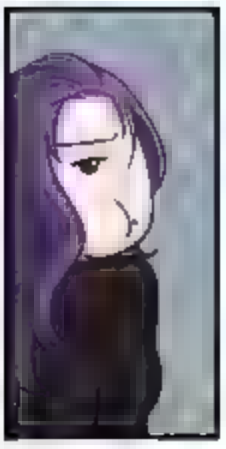
YEAH.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO DESTROY.
THIS MATERIAL...

IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH BEING FIRM.
IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN MADE TO BE IMPOSSIBLE TO DESTROY.

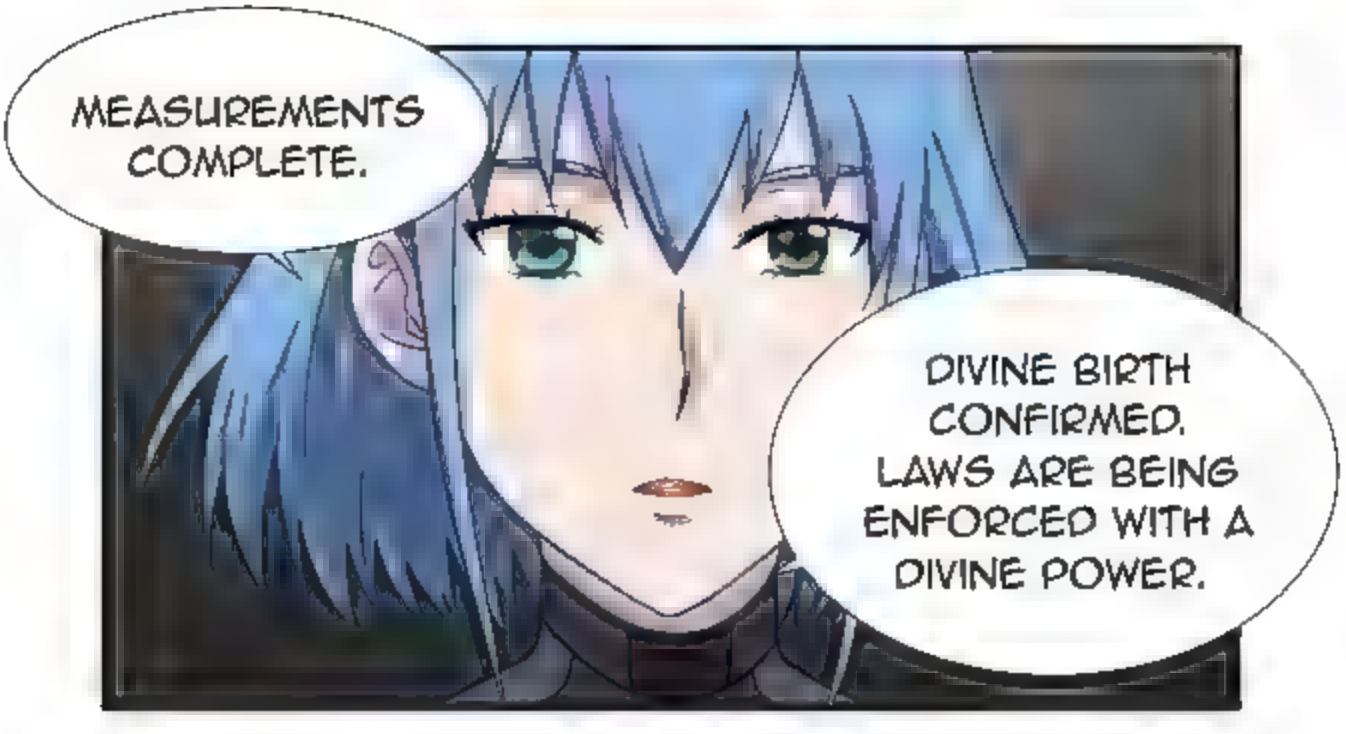

SO IT'S A BARRIER.
THERE'S ALREADY A SPECIAL BARRIER ACTIVE IN THIS SPACE ITSELF.

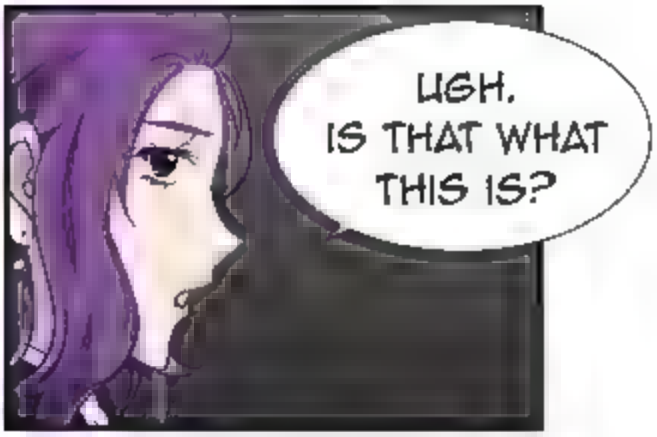
IT SEEMS LIKE BREAKING IT WITH FORCE WILL BE TOUGH.
WHAT DO YOU THINK?


TAKING MEASUREMENTS.



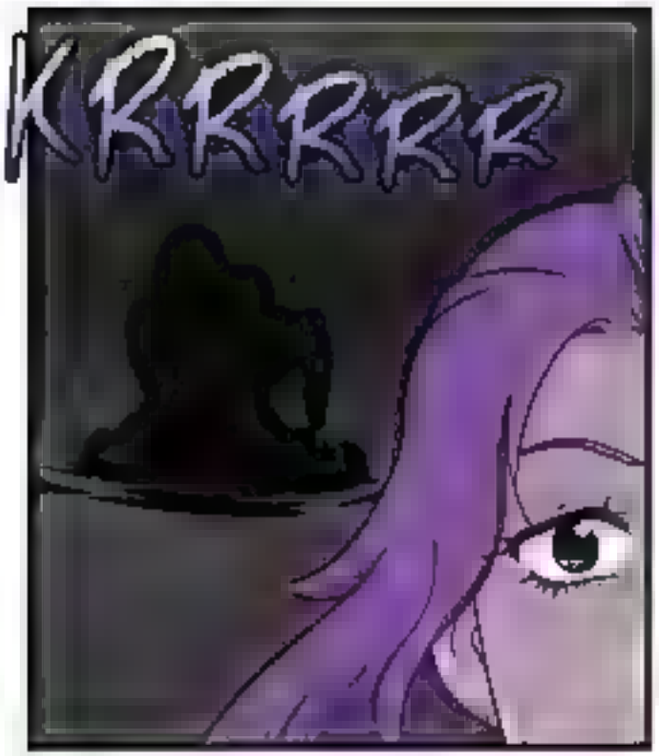
AHH, YOU REALLY ARE NO FUN.
THIS IS WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO COME WITH YOU.


MEASUREMENTS COMPLETE.
DIVINE BIRTH CONFIRMED. LAWS ARE BEING ENFORCED WITH A DIVINE POWER.


UGH.
IS THAT WHAT
THIS IS?

I CAN'T
STAND THIS.
IS THAT
SO?

IS THAT
ALL YOU
CAN SAY?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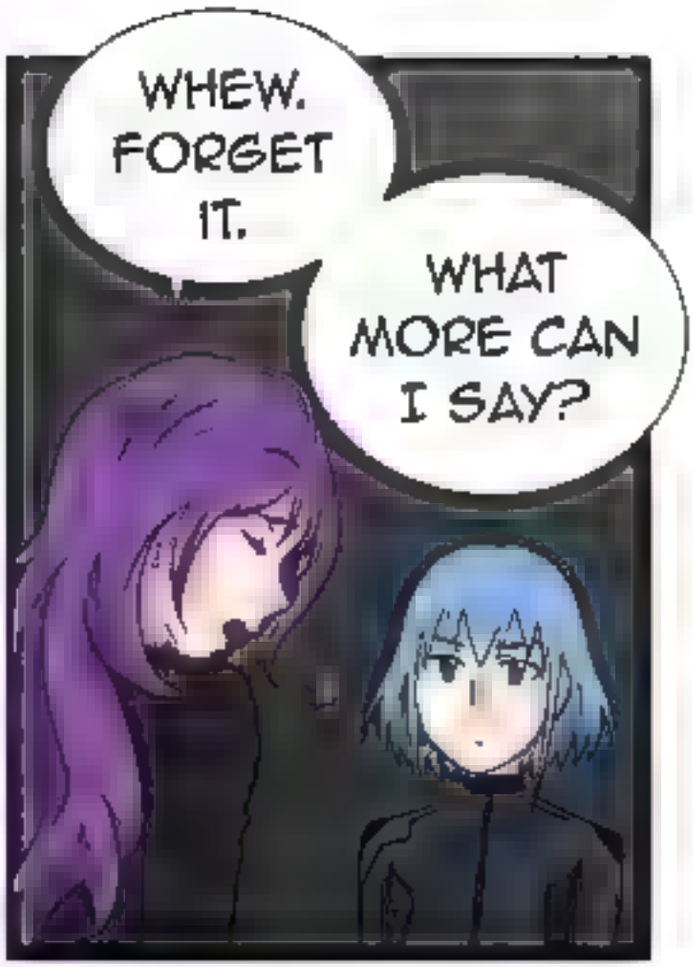
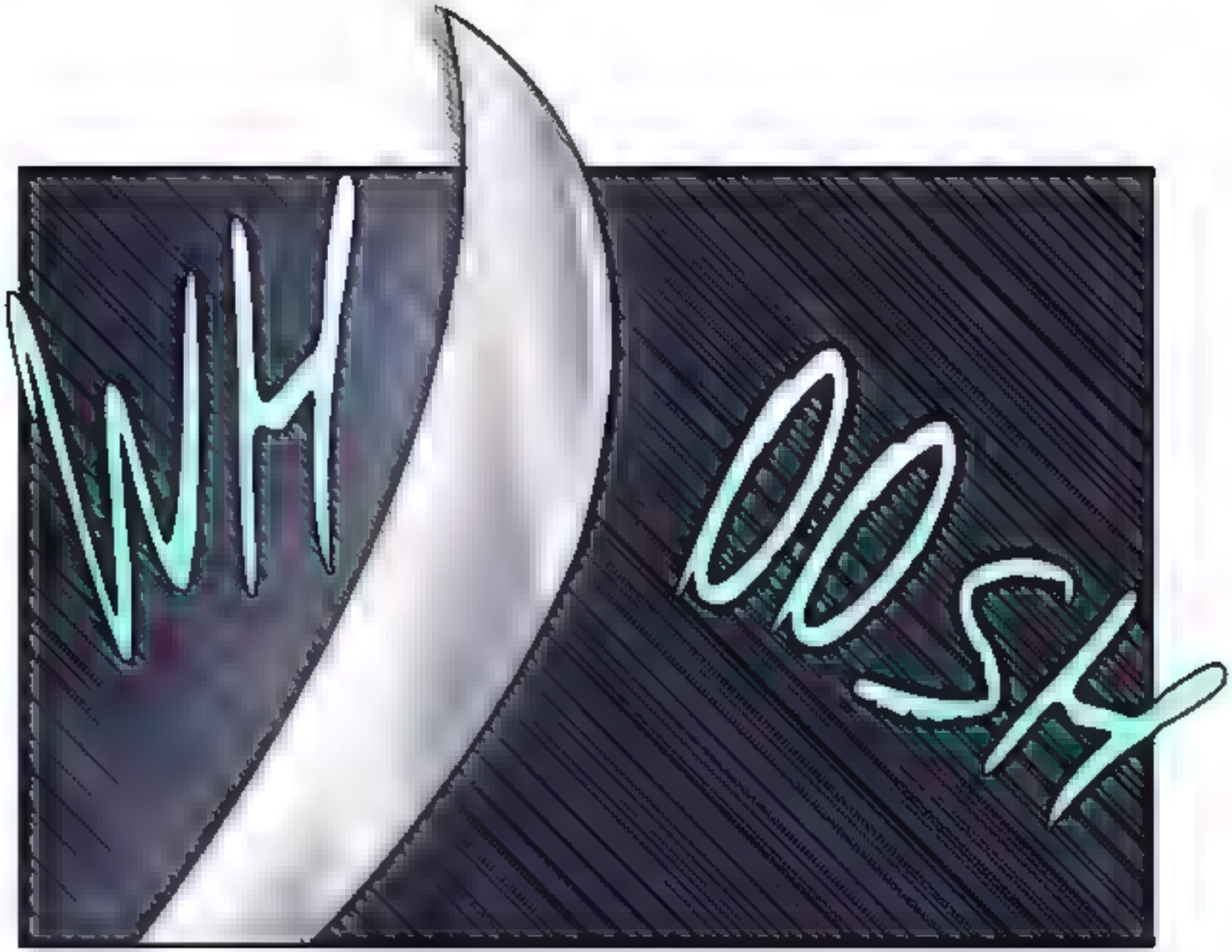

WHEW. FORGET IT.
WHAT MORE CAN I SAY?

KOONG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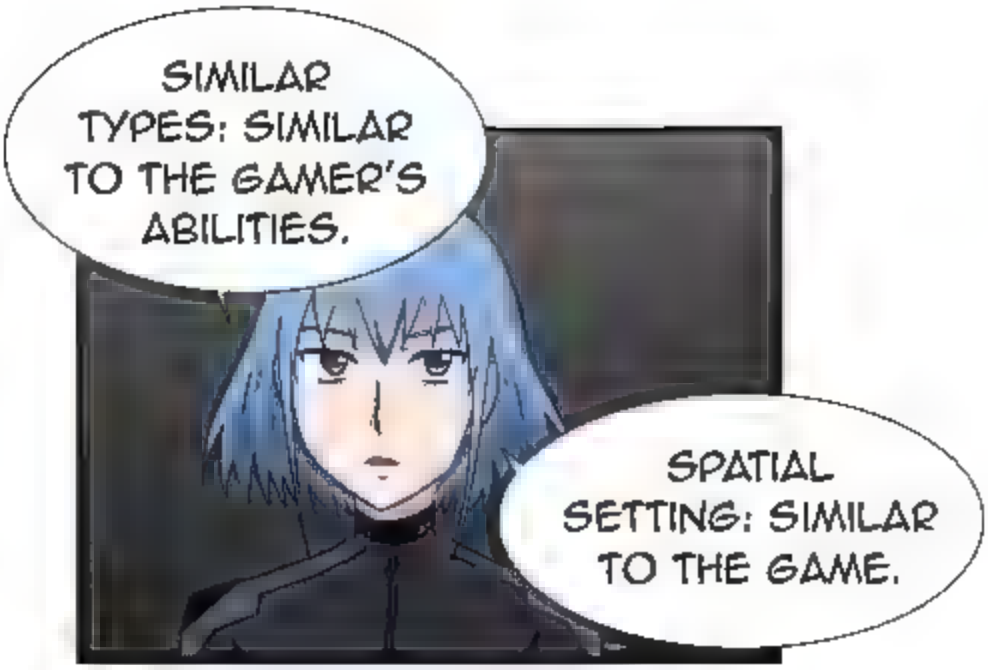
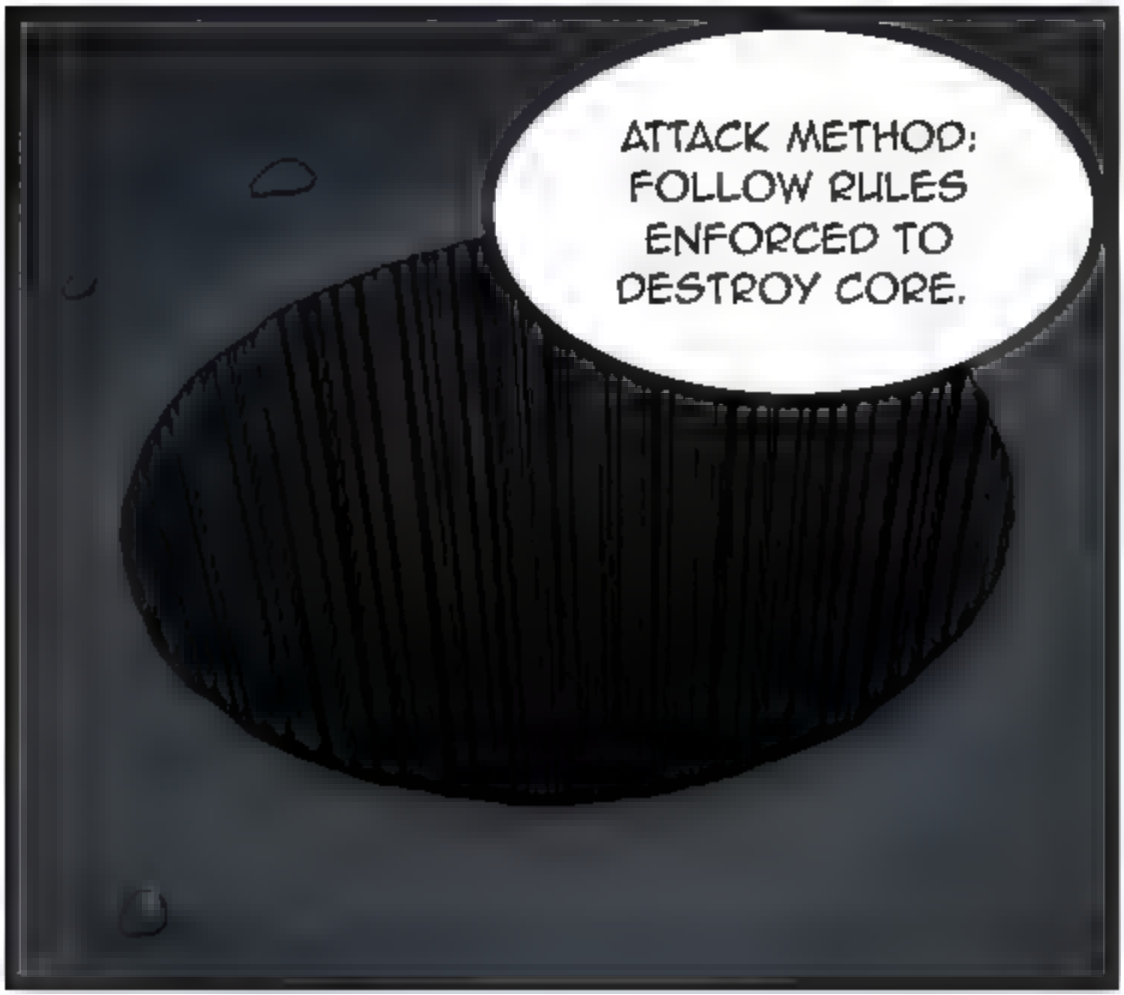
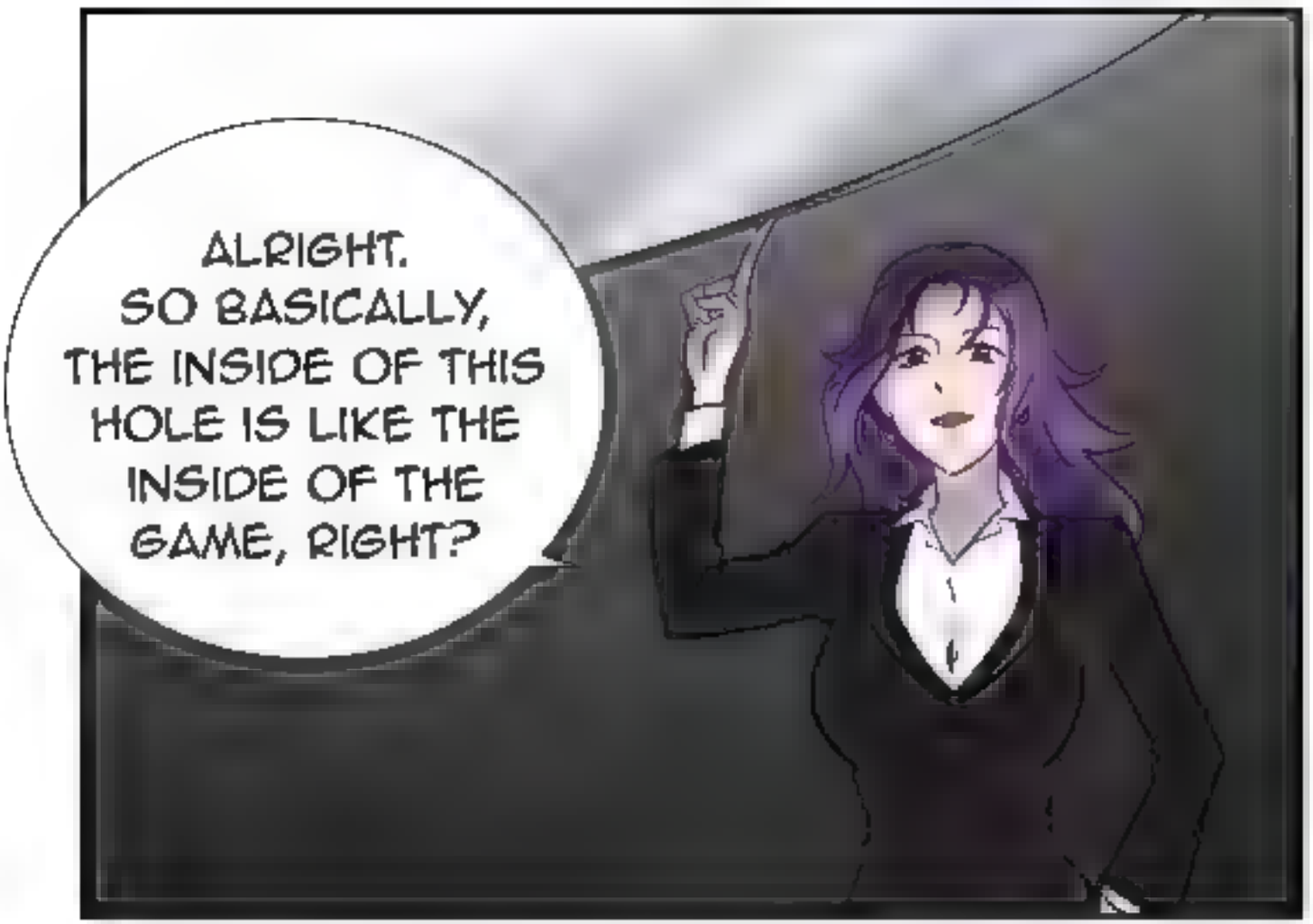
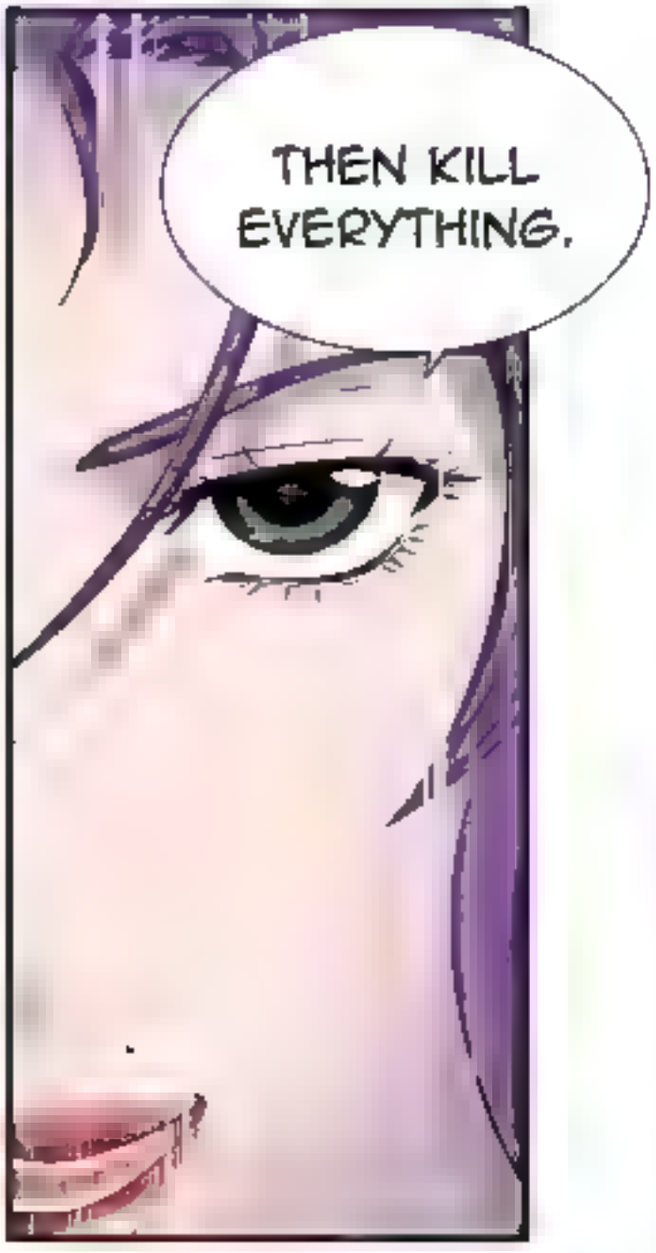
CLANG

SO, WHAT SHOULD WE DO?


SIMILAR TYPES: SIMILAR TO THE GAMER'S ABILITIES.
SPATIAL SETTING: SIMILAR TO THE GAME.


ATTACK METHOD: FOLLOW RULES ENFORCED TO DESTROY CORE.


ALRIGHT.
SO BASICALLY,
THE INSIDE OF THIS
HOLE IS LIKE THE
INSIDE OF THE
GAME, RIGHT?


THEN KILL EVERYTHING.

SWISH

CRASH

WILL OUR GUYS LEVEL UP TOO?

LET'S KILL THOSE SMALL FRIES FIRST, THEN GO KILL THE GOD.
IT'S NOT LIKE THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME COMMITTING DEICIDE, RIGHT?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

FINISHED INVERSE CALCULATION OF RULES.

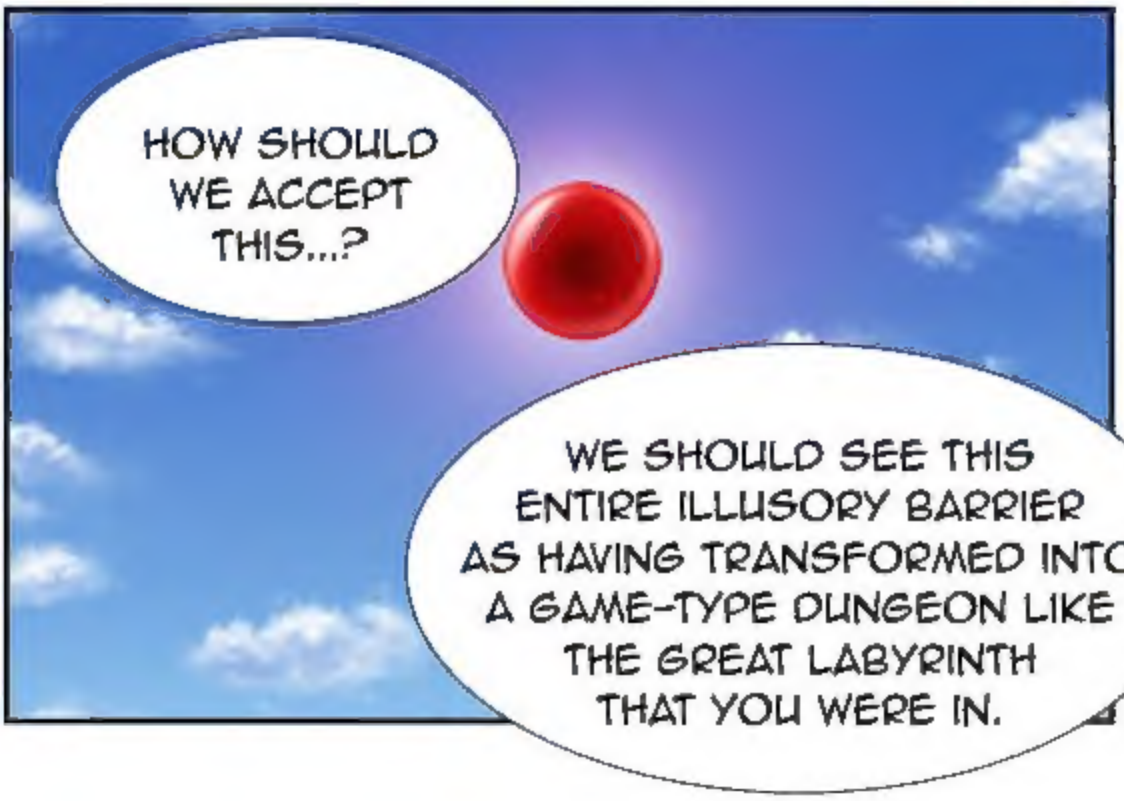
YOU MAY FACE THE GOD AFTER ELIMINATING THE 3,201 MONSTERS IN THIS WORLD.

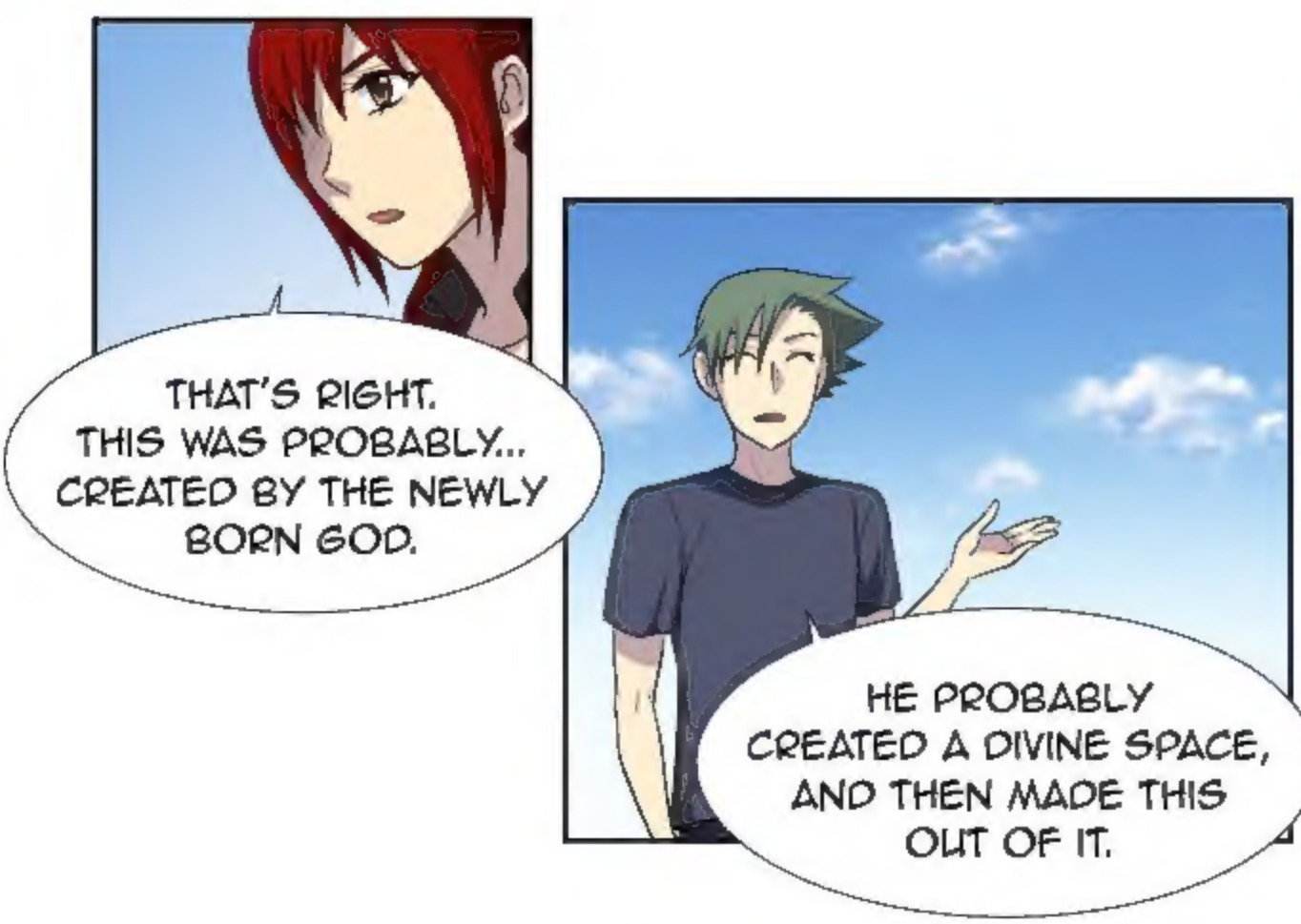
AHA.
WELL, THAT'S
EASY.

SLAUGHTER
THEM ALL
TOGETHER.
SURE.

WHISH

[MANDATORY QUEST :
DEFEAT THE ENEMIES!]
EVERYONE AROUND
YOU IS AN ENEMY.
ENEMIES SLAIN: 0/100
REWARD :
BOSS MONSTER APPEARS.


HOW SHOULD WE ACCEPT THIS...?
WE SHOULD SEE THIS ENTIRE ILLUSORY BARRIER AS HAVING TRANSFORMED INTO A GAME-TYPE DUNGEON LIKE THE GREAT LABYRINTH THAT YOU WERE IN.


THAT'S RIGHT. THIS WAS PROBABLY... CREATED BY THE NEWLY BORN GOD.
HE PROBABLY CREATED A DIVINE SPACE, AND THEN MADE THIS OUT OF IT.

WE HAVE TO SLAY A HUNDRED MONSTERS...?
THAT MEANS THEY'RE INCLUDING THOSE HAHOE MASK GUYS AS ENEMIES TOO, BUT I DON'T LIKE THIS AT ALL....
THEN JUST DON'T FIGHT THEM.
LET'S HEAD OVER THAT WAY...
OH.

WHAT IS IT?
LOOK OVER THERE.

THOSE PEOPLE....

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